Board of Selectmen Meeting - Tuesday, October 13, 2015. 7:12 p.m. 116 Main Road, Tyringham

Present-- Christopher Johnson, Gerard Miller and Matthew Puntin.
Others present - Molly Curtin-Schaefer & (see attached list)

Mail was read, Treasury warrants were approved, previous minutes were approved.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u>: Everett Fennelly stated that the Town should not purchase a new boiler for the Fire Company. Charles Slater Jr. stated the Fire Company was not asking for the Town to purchase a new boiler.

Mark Curtin asked if the Board had reviewed the new Solar and Wind Energy By Law.

PLANNING BOARD:

The Board of Selectmen unanimously approved (the attached) Large & Small Scale Wind & Solar Energy System under 4.2.3 of the Tyringham By Laws. Mark Curtin from the Planning Board asked if the Town was holding any other hearings in the near future as the Planning Board would like to combine hearings. He also discussed the associate member to the Planning Board. Peter Salinetti may resign as he has time restraints that prohibit his participation and Rebecca Honig has been attending meetings and is interested if there is a vacancy.

FIRE COMPANY:

PAVILION: A discussion ensued regarding the proper procedure for music events held at the Pavilion. The Selectmen have asked that the applicant notify residents from George Cannon Road to Jerusalem Road about the event. Two different applicants notified the residents and two did not come to the Selectmen and did not notify the residents. A policy should be developed between both the Selectmen and Fire Company to elevate this issue.

LAKESIDE DRIVE: A new agreement between the Town and Lakeside at Goose Pond Association was signed. (see attached)

GOVERNOR'S COMPACT PROGRAM: The Board approved the additional language for the shared services with the 13 other surrounding communities. (see attached)

<u>OPEN MEETING LAW RESPONSE</u> – Gerard Miller responded to the Attorney General's Office with a public body response. The Board will wait to see if any further action is warranted. (see attached)

BROADBAND: Holly Ketron stated the Town should send a letter Wired West if the Town is dropping out of the the CO-OP. Jim Consolati stated a public/private partnership may be the way to go for Tyringham. He stated the Town needs to appropriate money for the design portion of this project.

Gerard Miller asked Mr. Consolati why the Finance Committee recommends holding off on a bond vote. Mr. Consolati stated if we voted now it would be like going to a bank for a mortgage and not having blue prints.

FIRE COMPANY - Charles Slater asked that

Christopher Johnson made a motion to take \$929.00 from the building & grounds expense account to cover the new alarm box for the Fire Company, Matthew Puntin seconded, no opposition. (see attached)

BOILER – Charles Slater, Jr. stated the fire company is switching from oil to propane at the fire station. He stated they are starting to rehab the building starting with the boiler, floors and meeting room.

HEALTH INSURANCE - Jeremia Pollard stated the Legislature has not approved the special legislation repealing elected officials from Town health benefits. Mr. Pollard has had 2-3 conversations with the attorney handling our wording and to date the proposed new law for Tyringham has not been approved. It has been over five months. The Board feels this is unacceptable because they have had more than enough time and the Annual Town Meeting voted this article. Gerard Miller is contacting Representative Pignatelli and Senator Downing.

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT:

Donald Puntin asked about crack sealing and line painting.

Carl Curtin stated there is an 8" drop into his driveway from paving and washouts. He stated it should have been tapered back after the road work was done last year and it actually started when the bridge was repaired. Noah Choquette will be asked to look it over.

Adjourned 8:27 p.m.

Gerard Miller,

Chairman

Matthew Puntin, Member

Christopher Johnson, Cterk